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Mr. Alexandra Eratiana (Chalasana)
Former Estistant Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

My. Dear Mr. Cretiam:

greatly hindered.

You know the uninterrupted battle which I have been carry on for more than one year for the formation of a National Committee of Liberation.

In September 1947, after the arrest of Iuliu Maniu and the suppression of the democratic political parties, I made written appeal to the Rumanian leaders who were meeting in Geneva, asking them to proceed immediately to the formation of a similar committee.

My appeal, unfor emately, didn't appear to them, while all the efforts which were made from then until now have not brought about the desired result - due to personal misunderstandings or due to the uncompromising of some of the members of political parties, who understood that the eventual committee could only be a source for these parties with exclusive right on their part to decide on who should belong to this committee. The admission of certain persons who had no party affiliation should have constituted only an exceptional favor.

This manner of seeing, unmistaken that it wouldn't be communicated except to a select number of Rumanians, a motive which brought about that an organ of leadership and orientation should not be created, while the Rumanian action, to be

The Rumanian interests can't be left to be damaged indefinitely, due to lack of understanding among some of us.

This powerful motive, plus the great importance of the Communication made to the Rumanian-American groups in the United States by the State Department, has caused me to make, in the past month, somew proposition of collaboration which would give much more satisfaction to those who were not reconciliable. I believe

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that I have proven the that I have only one desire - bring about unification. Even this time, however, my attempt did not have a good result.

Due to the present state of affairs, and also a personal communication which was made to me by the State Department - a communication which not one of us has a right to ignore, of the great advantage which will follow from instor the cause which we are called to defend - I have decided that in my capacity as president of the last constitutional and legal Rumanian Government I have taken upon myself the responsibility to form a National Committee of Liberation, Eastening due to the circumstances to carry this plan, with.

Any new selly in regard to this question of minimum interest for the "unemian cause, would constitute a thoughtless action to improve the country's interests, the interests which we, those outside of Rumanian, haven't given them ecouph care.

Making this decision, I feel that I am responsible to state that the single call of the Mational Committee will be in my mind, that of erganising and carrying over the border the battle for the liberation of our country.

The committee will not have the character of a government in exile and it will not be occupied with problems which, through their nature, ought to be left exclusively in charge of the liberated Rumanian people.

I believe in your sentiment of a good Rumanian and a proven patriot, I make a fervent appeal, that, passing over any consideration of a personal or political order, to give your consent to be on this committee.

Your reply will be awaited until 10 August 1948 when the committee will consist of the persons who had replied in the affirmative.

Enclosed you will find a list of the names of those who were asked to be on the committee.

In hope that, for the time at least, my call will be heard, for which the enchained Rumanian nation orders it. I remain yours with the most distinguished sentiments.